REMARKS

The above election along with the following remarks are being submitted as a full and complete response to the Official Action dated February 11, 2003 (U.S. Patent Office Paper No. 7), the period for response to which is set to expire on March 11, 2003.

Election / Restriction Requirement

The Examiner is respectfully requested to review the substance of Claims 3 through 10 and 15 through 16 and to indicate the allowability of the claims.

Claims 3 through 10 and 15 through 16 that are drawn to a liquid crystal display device, have been elected in this application, while remaining claims 11, 12, 13, and 14, are withdrawn from further prosecution without prejudice and traverse. Claims 1 and 2 have already been withdrawn from consideration in an earlier communication with the Office. Applicants hereby reserve the right to file a divisional application on the non-elected claim.

Substantive consideration of the elected claims is respectfully solicited. Should there be any outstanding issues requiring discussion that would further the prosecution and allowance of the above-captioned application, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' undersigned representative at the address and phone number indicated below.

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